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C O N F I D E N T I A L CAIRO 4471

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EEC ENRG XF

SUBJECT: EURO-ARAB DIALOGUE

REF: EC BRUSSELS 3867

1. IN CONVERSATION WITH EMBOFF MAY 4, ARAB LEAGUE OFFICIAL AL-REEDI PROVIDED FOLLOWING OBSERVATIONS ON EURO-ARAB DIALOGUE.

2. SINCE CANCELLATION NOV 26 MEETING, AL SECRETARIAT HAD VIRTUALLY SHELVED CONSIDERATION OF EURO-ARAB DIALOGUE, BUT EC HAD CONTINUED SYSTEMATICALLY TO PLAN FOR NEW MEETING. EC, FOR EXAMPLE, HAS NOW SUGGESTED SCENARIO FOR JUNE 10 MEETING, INVOLVING ESTABLISHMENT  
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SUB COMMITTEES (AS DESCRIBED PARA 1 REFTTEL), BUT AL HAS NOT YET

FORMULATED ITS VIEWS ON A SCENARIO. THIS MAY BE ONE OF SUBJECTS FOR RIAD'S TALKS WITH EC' MEYER AND AN AS YET UNNAMED IRISH OFFICIAL ON MAY 15. ARAB GROUP WILL MEET FORMALLY ON MAY 24.

3. JUNE 10 EXPERTS MEETING IS, AL-REEDI STRESSED, A PREPARATORY MEETING. AL HAS NOT RPT NOT ACCEPTED PRINCIPLE THAT POLITICAL ISSUES (IE PLO PROBLEMS) BE EXCLUDED FROM DIALOGUE, AND HE DOES NOT RPT NOT EXPECT THIS TOPIC TO BE TAKEN UP FORMALLY BE AL UNTIL AFTER JUNE 10 SESSION. JUNE 10 MEETING BY DEFINITION WILL INVOLVE ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL ISSUES ONLY. AL IS GOING AHEAD WITH THESE "PREPARATORY" EXPERTS MEETINGS, BUT IT SHOULD BE FULLY UNDERSTOOD THAT NO FORMAL ASSURANCES ON POLITICAL ISSUE IN CONTEXT OF DIALOGUE ITSELF (AS OPPOSED TO PREPARATION FOR DIALOGUE) HAS BEEN GIVEN TO EC OR IS LIKELY TO BE FORTHCOMING IN NEAR FUTURE.

4. COMMENT: REEDI'S REMARKS WOULD SEEM TO PRECLUDE LIKLEHOOD OF MEYER'S OBTAINING FORMAL ASSURANCE THAT JUNE 10 MEETING EXCLUDE CONTENTIOUS POLITICAL STATEMENTS. AT PRESENT, MOST HE CAN REALISTICALLY HOPE FOR IS INFORMAL ASSURANCE TO THIS EFFECT.  
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